

## Message Text

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PASS USDA/FAS/NOVOTNY

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: EAGR, UR

SUBJECT: USSR WHEAT EXPORT ESTIMATES

REF: FASTO 18

1. EXCELLENT SOVIET SOURCE CONSIDERS IWC ESTIMATES FOR SOVIET  
ORIGIN WHEAT EXPORTS FOR BOTH 1976/77 OF 3.5 MMT AND 1.5 PORTION  
REPORTED SHIPPED IN JULY/DEC 1976 "AS QUITE HIGH, ESPECIALLY SINCE  
ONLY WHEAT IS INVOLVED AND NOT TOTAL GRAINS".

2. WE HAVE NO FIRM BASIS YET FOR INCREASING USDA ESTIMATE OF  
1 MMT, BUT SUSPECT IT WILL BE ABOVE THAT FIGURE, POSSIBLY AS  
HIGH AS 2 MMT, WE HAVE TWO REASONS FOR THINKING THIS POSSIBLE:  
A. GORDEEV'S STATEMENT DURING CONSULTATIONS AND REPORTS FROM OTHER  
SOURCES TO EFFECT THAT GRAIN NEGOTIATIONS WERE STILL CONTINUING  
IN DECEMBER AT HIGHEST LEVELS, AND B) ABOVE SOURCE WHEN ASKED IF  
HE COULD COMMENT ON FACT THAT ONLY 2.0 MMT OF GRAIN PURCHASES HAD  
BEEN PUBLICLY ANNOUNCED BY IMPORTING NATIONS (1.0-POLAND AND 1.0-  
GDR) HE STATED THAT IT WAS GENERAL GOSU POLICY TO ONLY CONFIRM  
EXPORT  
COMMITMENTS ANNOUNCED BY IMPORTER, AND IT WAS THE CONCERN  
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OF THE IMPORTER, NOT GOSU, IF THEY DID NOT CHOOSE TO PUBLICIZE  
TRADES.

3. HOPEFUL THAT ANOTHER SOURCE WILL BE ABLE TO SUPPLEMENT  
ABOVE ON MONDAY, AND WILL REPORT ANY ADDITIONAL INFO OBTAINED.  
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